

Georgetown City Council Meeting
Monday, August 22, 2011
6:00 pm

The Georgetown City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Everette Varney with all members present, except Bonnie Skinner. After a moment of silence Councilman Lusby led the pledge.

1. **Minutes:**

Motion by Councilman Prather, second by Councilman Penn to approve the minutes of August 1, 2011 and August 8, 2011. **Motion unanimously approved.**

2. **Acknowledgement receipt of bills:**

Mayor Varney requested council to acknowledge receipt of bills. **Council acknowledged receipt of bills.**

3. **Public Comments:**

Emily Brandon, from Georgetown College, requested approval of a road closure (Mulberry and Jackson Street) Sunday, September 18, 2011 from 4:30 to 8:30 for a Chilean Independence Day Celebration. **Motion by Councilman Thompson, second by Councilwomen Tackett for approval of the road closure September 18, 2011. Motion unanimously approved.**

Eric Larson, City Engineer, reminded council and citizens that the rain barrels are still available for purchase through Georgetown Public Works and TMMK, August 1st -31st. Mr. Larson stated that Georgetown was a model for surrounding counties.

Craig Wink, from the Scott County Professional Firefighters, requested approval for their annual "Fill the Boot Drive" August 24-26, 2011 from 3-5:00 p.m. at the Wal-Mart intersection, with proceeds going to MDA. **Motion by Councilman Penn, second by Councilman McEuen for approval for the "Fill the Boot Drive" at the Wal- Mart intersection. Motion unanimously approved.**

Emily Buerger and Erica Canfield, from the Georgetown College Athletic Training Club, requested approval from council for a street closure (E. College, Dudley, Estill and Hollyhock) their annual 3k/5k Run, Saturday, November 2, 2011 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Motion by Councilman McEuen, second by Councilman Prather to approve the street closure. Motion unanimously approved.**

4. Mayor's Comments:

- a) Mayor Varney reported that the Youth Baseball League would sponsor adding restrooms to an existing building at the park. Mayor Varney stated they would put \$10,000.00 down, then receive a loan for the rest of the cost and hoped in the future the city would be able to help.
- b) Mayor Varney requested council begin thinking of the date for trick-or-treat this year, possibly October 29th or on Halloween October 31st.
- c) Mayor Varney announced that public works department was working as hard as they could, even working overtime to pick up all the brush from last weeks storm and asked for citizens to please be patient.
- d) Mayor Varney announced the birth of Councilwomen Bonnie Skinner's daughter and congratulated her and her husband Bryan on the birth of their first child
- e) Mayor Varney announced the resignation of Rodney Vinegar, the Human Resource Director. Mayor Varney thanked Mr. Vinegar for all his hard work and stated he would be missed. Mr. Vinegar stated he had enjoyed his time with the city and that he would still be living in Georgetown, but that he had been offered an opportunity he couldn't pass up from a company in Louisville. Mr. Vinegar also stated he had enjoyed working with all the city employees and that they all work hard everyday and deserve respect, from council and the citizens of Georgetown for the sacrifices they make and their dedication.

5. GMWSS:

Billy Jenkins, GMWSS Director, presented for FYI the Bluegrass Area Development District Rate book stating Georgetown was the 2nd lowest in an eighteen county area.

Mr. Jenkins requested approval for the final adjusting change order and additional engineering cost for the Double Culvert Landfill and Sims Road Landfill Modification Project in the amount of \$97,139.02. **Motion by Councilman Thompson, second by Councilman Prather to approve change order. Motion unanimously approved.**

Mr. Jenkins requested approval for the purchase of a 2012 Transit Connect Van on a state contract in the amount of \$19,641.00. **Motion by Councilman Penn, second by Councilman McEuen to approve the purchase of the 2012 Transit Connect Van. Motion unanimously approved.**

Mr. Jenkins also requested approval for the purchase of a 2011 Ford F-150 on a state contract in the amount of \$18,893.00. **Motion by Councilman McEuen, second by Councilman Prather to approve the purchase of the 2011 Ford F-150. Motion unanimously approved.**

6. Fire:

Chief Robert Bruin requested approval to apply for 2 Assistance to Firefighters Grants one for equipment (breathing air station, voice amplifiers and SCBA mask) with the city's match being \$6,340.00 and the second grant for a fire truck with the city's match being \$45,000.00. **Motion by Councilman Thompson, second by Councilman Penn for approval to apply for both grants. Motion unanimously approved.**

Chief Bruin also presented the city's ISO rating stating the city had went from a 4 to a 3, which is an excellent rating resulting in lowering the insurance premium rate. Chief Bruin stated the city was only a few points away from being a 2, which would put the Georgetown Fire Department in the top 5% in the state.

7. Police:

Chief Greg Reeves requested approval to apply for the Law Enforcement Grant thru Target in the amount of \$5,000.00(no match). **Motion by Councilman Lusby, second by Councilwomen Tackett for approval to apply for the grant. Motion unanimously approved.**

Laurie Raisor, Deputy City Clerk, presented the reading of *a municipal order approving a memorandum of agreement between the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Office of Highway Safety and the City of Georgetown concerning a highway safety grant in the amount of \$16,250.00* **Motion by Councilwomen Tackett, second by Councilman Prather to approve Municipal Order # 11-017. Motion unanimously approved.**

Laurie Raisor, Deputy City Clerk, presented the reading of *a resolution accepting the bid of Advanced Radio Technology for repair/replacement of Microwave Link in the amount of \$13,325.00, and authorizing the mayor to sign al relevant documents.* **Motion by Councilwoman Thompson, second by Councilman Penn to approve Resolution #11-016. Motion unanimously approved.**

8. Parks and Recreation- Municipal Order #11-018 Memorandum of Understanding with Department of Local Development:

Councilman Penn asked if the city could afford maintaining the property, then suggested to table the matter until council speaks to Louis Homes, the Parks and Recreation Director. **Motion by Councilman Singer, second by Councilman Penn to table Municipal Order #11-018 until the next council meeting Monday, August 29, 2011. Motion unanimously approved.**

9. Finance:

Laurie Raisor, Deputy City Clerk, presented the second reading of *an ordinance amending the City of Georgetown, Kentucky, annual budget for Fiscal year July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 by estimating revenues and resources and appropriating the funds for the operation of City Government.* **Motion by Councilman Singer, second by Councilwoman Tackett to approve Ordinance #11-004. Motion unanimously approved.**

10. City Engineer:

Laurie Raisor, Deputy City Clerk, presented the reading of *a resolution accepting the bid of Nally and Gibson Georgetown, LLC d/b/a Hamilton and Hinkle Paving Company for asphalt construction in the amount of \$115,270.36 and authorizing the mayor to sign al relevant documents.* **Motion by Councilman McEuen, second by Councilman Prather to approve Resolution #11-017. Motion unanimously approved.**

Laurie Raisor, Deputy City Clerk, presented the reading of *a resolution accepting the bid of Nally and Gibson Georgetown, LLC d/b/a Hamilton and Hinkle Paving Company for asphalt and stone materials in the amount of \$270, 775.11 and authorizing the mayor to sign all relevant documents.* **Motion by Councilman Thompson, second by Councilman Lusby to approve Resolution #11-018. Motion unanimously approved.**

Eric Larson, City Engineer, presented the recommendation of the Traffic Committee concerning on street parking on Water Street, stating the committee recommends no parking on the west side of the street. Council asked for more time to hear from businesses and homeowners on Water Street. **Motion by Councilwoman Tackett, second Councilman McEuen to table the recommendation until the next council meeting.**

Motion by Councilman Singer, second by Councilwoman Tackett to table Resolution #11-019, concerning Landfill Engineering Services until the Monday, August 29, 2011 Council Meeting.

Motion by Councilman Thompson, second by Councilwoman Tackett to table Resolution #11-020, concerning Stormwater CWA Phase II Services until the Monday, August 29, 2011 Council Meeting.

Motion by Councilwoman Tackett, second by Councilman Penn to schedule a special council meeting for Monday, August 29, 2011. Motion unanimously approved.

Logan Askew, City Attorney, requested council chose a date for J. D. Chaney to come speak to council concerning Unified Government. Council agreed to invite Mr. Chaney and the county magistrates to the Monday, September 26th, 2011 Council Meeting.

Council Comments:

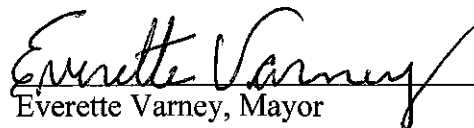
Councilman Mark Singer stated he had received e-mails and phone calls concerning the cemetery rates. Councilman Singer stated he researched and felt there needs to be a separate ordinance concerning the cemetery rate increase, which was in the 2011-2012 City Budget. Councilman Singer also questioned a decision made by council in a budget workshop, concerning the move of Electrical Inspection to the old library. Mayor Varney stated the county had already signed another year lease for Electrical inspection in their current building. Councilman Singer stated the money allocated for electrical inspection needs to be revisited. Councilman Singer also suggested council start thinking of an alternative source to the city's water supply if the city continues to grow by possible treating our own water from the spring, or make the relationship between the city and Kentucky American Water and Frankfort more permanent, or retract back into the city limits and sell the lines outside the city limits to another entity or county utility. Then sale our water from the spring on a wholesale basis.

Councilman Kelly McEuen asked when the city would be able to accept credit cards at the cemetery and other city agencies. Betty Pendergrass, Finance Director, stated the issue with having a credit card service is the convenience fee and determining weather the customer or the city will pay the fee. Ms. Pendergrass stated she plans to do an RFP for banking services by the end of December and have credit card services included in the request.

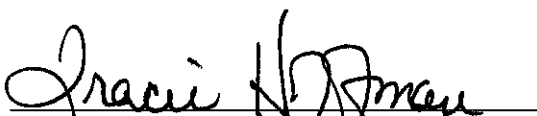
Councilman David Lusby asked the mayor if he had time to put together a committee for tourism. Mayor Varney stated he had spoke with John Simpson, Tourism Director, and that tourism is interested in the committee and he would place it on the agenda for the next meeting.

**Motion by Councilman Penn, second by Councilman Thompson to adjourn.
Motion unanimously approved.**

APPROVED BY:


Everette Varney, Mayor

ATTESTED BY:


Tracie Hoffman, City Clerk/Treasurer